

## CLAIMS

1. A pedestal closure assembly comprising:  
a substantially monolithic upper dome; and  
a base for receiving said dome, said base having separable front and rear sections,  
each said sections having outer and inner extending horizontal ribs.
2. The apparatus as claimed in claim 1 including:  
vertical ribs extending inwardly and outwardly from said base.
3. The apparatus as claimed in claim 2 wherein:  
said horizontal and vertical ribs are connected.
4. The apparatus as claimed in claim 3 wherein:  
the outer extending horizontal ribs includes an upper rib, a middle rib and a lower  
rib.
5. The apparatus as claimed in claim 4 wherein:  
the front base section includes two horizontal ribs; and  
said rear base section includes three horizontal ribs.
6. The apparatus as claimed in claim 5 wherein:  
the upper horizontal rib extends along side walls, a front wall and along a portion  
of a back wall of said front and rear base sections.
7. The apparatus as claimed in claim 6 wherein:  
the middle horizontal rib extends along said side walls and a portion of said front  
and back walls.
8. The apparatus as claimed in claim 7 wherein:

the lower horizontal rib extends along said side walls and partially along said front and said back walls.

9. The apparatus as claimed in claim 8 including:
  - a pair of slots in the rear base section; and
  - a pair of ribs in the interior of said dome for engaging said slots.
10. The apparatus as claimed in claim 1 including:
  - a pair of slots in the rear base section; and
  - a pair of ribs in the interior of said dome for engaging said slots.
11. The apparatus as claimed in claim 9 including;
  - a lock mechanism in the lower portion of said dome.
12. The apparatus as claimed in claim 1 including:
  - a lock mechanism in the lower portion of said dome.
13. The apparatus as claimed in claim 1 including:
  - a depending spade with a step structure.
14. A pedestal closure assembly comprising:
  - a substantially monolithic upper dome;
  - a base for receiving said dome, said base having separable front and rear sections;and
  - a lock mechanism mounted to a lower portion of said dome, said lock mechanism requiring generally a quarter turn to cause said lock to be in an unlocked position.
15. The apparatus as claimed in claim 14 including:
  - outer and inner extending horizontal ribs connected to said base.

16. The apparatus as claimed in claim 15 including:  
vertical ribs extending inwardly and outwardly from said base.
17. The apparatus as claimed in claim 16 wherein:  
said horizontal and vertical ribs are connected.
18. The apparatus as claimed in claim 17 including:  
a pair of slots in the rear base section; and  
a pair of ribs in the interior of said dome for engaging said slots.
19. The apparatus as claimed in claim 18 including:  
a lock mechanism in the lower portion of said dome.
20. A pedestal closure assembly comprising:  
a substantially monolithic upper dome having an interior wall;  
a base for receiving said dome, said base having separable front and rear sections;  
a rib mounted vertically on said interior wall of said dome; and  
a slot formed in said base for receiving said rib.
21. The apparatus as claimed in claim 20 including:  
outer and inner extending horizontal ribs connected to said base.
22. The apparatus as claimed in claim 21 including:  
vertical ribs extending inwardly and outwardly from said base.
23. The apparatus as claimed in claim 22 wherein:  
said horizontal and vertical ribs are connected.
24. The apparatus as claimed in claim 23 including:  
a lock mechanism in the lower portion of said dome.

25. The apparatus as claimed in claim 20 including:  
a lock mechanism in the lower portion of said dome.
26. A pedestal closure assembly comprising:  
a one piece upper dome with no openings above a lower end portion, said dome including a bulge in said lower end portion;  
a base for receiving said dome; and  
a lock mechanism mounted in said bulge for engaging said dome and said base.
27. The apparatus as claimed in claim 26 wherein:  
said dome includes an interior vertically extending rib; and  
said base includes an interior vertically extending slot for receiving said rib.
28. The apparatus as claimed in claim 27 wherein:  
said lock mechanism is located in a first portion of said dome and said rib is disposed in a second portion of said dome.
29. The apparatus as claimed in claim 28 wherein:  
said first portion of said dome is the front portion of said dome and said second portion of said dome is the rear portion of said dome.